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AMENDMENT

SIR:

Applicant(s) hereby request(s) a -month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of August 28, 2002. A check in the amount of \$110 in payment of the government fee for a one-month extension of time is enclosed herewith. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

In response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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